

Governor's Task Force On the Humane Treatment of Animals Meeting Minutes for October 15, 2007

The following committee members were present: Sheila Presby, Dick Wentzell, Mark Ellingwood, Roni McCall, Virginia Hokenstrom, Elin Phinizy, Senator Sheila Roberge, Representative Carla Skinder and Andy Shagoury.

Also present were: Former Representative Nancy Johnson, and Katie Lisuik representing HSUS.

The minutes of the August 9th, meeting were approved.

Andy Shagoury was introduced as the NH Association of Chiefs of Police representative to the taskforce.

Chief Shagoury has been a police officer since 1988 and Chief of Police in Tuftonboro since 1999. Chief Shaguory was a K9 handler from 2001 to 2005 and is a member of the US Police Canine Association Professionally Chief Shagoury has had to investigate animal abuse and neglect cases. In Tuftonboro, we act as the Town's Animal Control Officers. When Chief Shagoury attended UNH, he stayed at Highland House and helped care for the horses and other animals. He has owned dogs, cats and other pets all of his life. All of his dogs (including his K9) and cats have been adopted. We currently have two dogs, two cats, a turtle and fish tanks.

The remainder of this meeting was devoted to completing the recommendation report for 2007 to the Governor.

There are no more taskforce meetings scheduled for the remainder of 2007.

Submitted on October 16, 2007 by Roni McCall, Taskforce Secretary